

FABEC OPS Theatre

## **World ATM Congress and FABEC sign cooperation contract**

12 February 2018; World ATM Congress and the FABEC air navigation service providers have signed an agreement to create a new forum called FABEC OPS Theatre to take place in the Exhibition Hall at World ATM Congress 2018 in Madrid, Spain. The objective is to enrich the world's leading air traffic management (ATM) forum with a new platform that focuses specifically on operational topics. For the upcoming event from 6 to 8 March 2018, operational experts will discuss key topics such as traffic volatility, the impact of adverse weather, new developments in flow management, and cross-border free route airspace. The FABEC OPS Theatre 2018 is already fully booked.

*Johan Decuyper: "Every year, the World ATM Congress is a highlight on the ATM calendar. FABEC gladly contributes to this event not only by participating but also by taking new initiatives. We therefore launch an interactive platform at this year's edition. At the FABEC OPS Theatre, all kinds of ATM operational topics will be discussed by experts in their domain so as they and all guests attending the platform can exchange experiences and learn from each other."*

*Peter F. Dumont: "The FABEC OPS Theatre in the Exhibition Hall at World ATM Congress 2018 is a natural partnership. Operations professionals from around the globe will use this forum to discuss ideas and solutions that will shape the future of ATM operations. Organisations large and small will have the opportunity to learn from each other and continue to have their voices and expertise heard as ATM modernisation continues."*

The airspace of the six FABEC States of Belgium, France, Germany, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and Switzerland is one of the busiest and most complex in the world. The majority of major European airports, major civil airways and military training areas are located in this area. FABEC airspace covers 1.7 million km<sup>2</sup> and handles about 5.8 million flights per year – 55% of European air traffic.

World ATM Congress ([www.worldatmcongress.org](http://www.worldatmcongress.org)) is the world's largest international air traffic management (ATM) exhibition and conference, attracting over 7,500 people each year. Operated by [CANSO](#) in partnership with [ATCA](#), World ATM Congress brings together the world's leading product developers, experts, stakeholders, and air navigation service providers (ANSPs). Aviation thought leaders gather for three days of conference sessions, product demonstrations and launches, contract closures, and educational and networking opportunities in Madrid, Spain.

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